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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of: Clemente Conde

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For: LAWN EDGING STRIP WITH IMPROVED END CONNECTORS

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Dear Sir:

RESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTION MAILED OCTOBER 3, 2003

This paper is submitted in response to the office action dated October 3, 2003. Favorable reconsideration is respectfully requested.

In the Claims:

Claims 1, 6, 10, 14, and 20 are being amended. Claims 11, 13, and 18 are canceled.

- 1.(currently amended) A lawn edging strip adapted for insertion into the ground, comprising:
- a flexible body;
 - a tongue connector located proximate a first end of the flexible body; and